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SCOPE OF WORK PROVISIONS

FOR

OPERATING ENGINEER

**CRANES, PILE DRIVER AND HOISTING EQUIPMENT
(OPERATING ENGINEER)**

TUNNEL (OPERATING ENGINEER)

**BUILDING/CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR, FIELD SOILS AND
MATERIAL TESTER, and NON-DESTRUCTIVE TESTING**

IN

**IMPERIAL, INYO, KERN, LOS ANGELES, MONO, ORANGE,
RIVERSIDE, SAN BERNARDINO, SAN LUIS OBISPO, SANTA
BARBARA, AND VENTURA COUNTIES**

Southern California

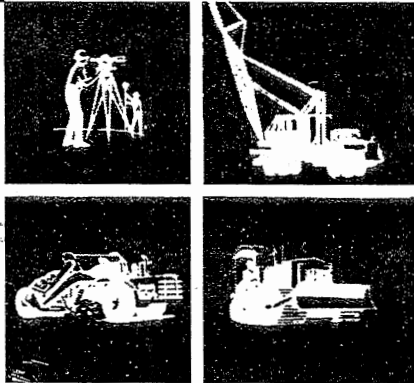
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THE INTERNATIONAL
UNION OF OPERATING
ENGINEERS

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, INC.



LOCAL 12

JULY 1, 2007

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JUNE 30, 2010

5. This Agreement shall cover and apply to all work falling within the recognized jurisdiction of the Union signatory to this Agreement.

(a) It shall cover work on buildings, heavy, highway, and engineering construction, including the construction of, in whole or in part, or in improvement or modification thereof, including any structure or operations which are incidental thereto, the operation of all equipment, vehicles, and other facilities, including helicopters, used in connection with the performance of the aforementioned work and services, and the assembly, maintenance and repair of all equipment, vehicles, and other facilities, which has normally and customarily been performed by unit employees, and including without limitation the following types or classes of work.

(b) Street and highway work, grading and paving excavation of earth and rock,

grade separations, elevated highways, viaducts, bridges, abutments, retaining walls, subways, airport grading, surfacing and drainage, electric transmission line and conduit projects, water supply, water development, reclamation, irrigation, draining and flood control projects, water mains, pipelines, sanitation and sewer projects, dams, aqueducts, canals, reservoirs, intakes, channels, levees, dikes, revetments, quarrying of breakwater or riprap stone, foundations, pile driving, piers, locks, river and harbor projects, breakwaters, jetties, dredging, tunnels, soil testing and building/construction inspector. The handling, cleaning, erection, installation and dismantling of machinery, equipment and all work on robotics, included but not limited to the rigging, handling, installation, maintenance, programming and the use of all stationary and/or portable robots. This shall include the use of all robots used in any industry, including the nuclear field.

(c) It shall cover all work with the exception of the initial setting, positioning and programming of the base station in conjunction with Global Positioning Systems/GPS on the job site.

(d) The construction, erection, alteration, repair, modification, demolition, addition or improvement, in whole or in part, of any building structure, including oil or gas refineries and incidental structures, solar energy installations and appurtenances thereto, also including any grading, excavations, or similar operations which are incidental thereto, or the installation, operation, maintenance and repair of equipment, and other facilities used in connection with the performance of such building construction except where such structures are an incidental or supplemental part of highway and engineering construction, as defined in this Article.

(e) All concrete form work, including, but not limited to, the fabrication, construction, placing, erection, rigging and hoisting, stripping and removing of all forms and operation of the forklift, loed, pettibone or mobile equipment in reference to all of the above work.

(f) All work in connection with tilt-up slabs, including, but not limited to, benchmarks, layout, setting of all forms, blockouts, metal door and window jambs, templates for bolts, lift points, knee braces, all stripping of forms

(whether or not to be reused) rigging, setting, plumbing, and lining, welding, drilling, ledger bolts, setting ledgers, setting of expansion joints and caulking. Also to include forms for stairs and loading docks (setting and stripping), installation of all doors including roll-up, installation of laminated beams or precast structures, and operation of the forklift in reference to all of the above work.

(g) All work in connection with the hoisting of materials which are to be used by the Carpenters or Building Tradesmen will be rigged, guided and handled by employees covered by this Agreement.

(h) The layout, rigging, tagging, signaling, cutting, burning, welding, chain sawing, driving, setting and pulling of all soldier piles, sheet piles, soldier beams and casings, together with all necessary walling, shoring, underpinning, struts, bracing, capping and lagging necessary for construction of subterranean structures of all types to include, but not limited to subways, subway stations, buildings, storm drains, sewers, pipelines and all open cut and cover construction projects. Fabrication, construction, removal and stripping of all forms both inside and outside the tunnels and drains

to include form liners and membranes, whether they be spray on, glue on, tack on, composed of any and all building materials to include plastic, neoprene, high density polyethylene, vinyl cork or any other natural or artificial material. Construction of all covers and access mats to include all necessary rigging for setting and removing, whether intermittently or regularly. Installation and removal of all timber decking.

(i) All office modular furniture systems including, but not limited to: the unloading by any means, stockpiling, distribution to point of erection, carrying, handling, transportation, uncrating, installation, cleaning, and/or staging of all office, commercial, industrial, institutional, and hotel furniture, furniture systems, furnishings, etc., including (but not limited to) all component parts (regardless of their materials or method or manner of installation, attachment or connection). Also included will be layout work including the use of level, transit and any other instrument or tool (or adaptable tool) required for the work herein described.

(j) The placing, handling, moving and erection of all materials which fall within the

description of work set forth in this Agreement from the site of delivery on the job to the point of the job where the work is to be performed. The erecting and moving of all scaffolds and the moving and handling of all materials to be used in the erection of scaffolding.

6. This Agreement shall also include: work in the Contractor's yards and shops, field survey work, asphalt screening, soil, cement and crushing plants and operations, forest fires, floods and emergency work, soils and material testing and building/construction inspection.

7. This Agreement shall cover and apply to all employees except that it shall not cover and apply to executives, superintendents, assistant superintendents, master mechanics, office engineers, timekeepers, messenger boys, office workers, or any other employee of the Contractors above the rank of Craft Foreman, except as herein provided.

Q. Special Rules:

7. Employees covered by this Agreement shall operate all hoisting equipment on the job or project.

8. Combination Mixer and Compressor Operators on Guniting work shall be classified as Concrete Mobile Mixer Operators.

9. The necessity for the use of an employee as a Signaller shall be determined by the Contractor. When used, he shall be an Engineer-Oiler as defined herein, who assists in giving or relaying signals by mechanical means (also by means of hand signals on excavation

work), directly to the operator of hoisting equipment only.

**U. Special Working Rules and
Conditions for Tunnels and Sealed Air Pressure
Bores:**

1. All terms and conditions of this Agreement shall apply to all employees employed on a tunnel job or project unless otherwise specified in this Section U.

2. This section covers jobsite work on construction, alteration, repair modification or demolition of tunnels, shafts, tunnel shafts, adits, silos, raises, subways, chambers, underground power houses, including the lining of same which falls within the jurisdiction of the Union. Where open cutwork is covered over or decked with wood, steel or other substitute materials and workmen are required to work under such cover, they shall work and be paid in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. For all excavation and work related to the excavation, without limiting the scope of the work covered hereby, it is agreed that this Agreement shall cover but not be limited to the construction of, in whole or in part, or the improvement or modification thereof, including any structure or operations which are incidental thereto, the assembly, operation, maintenance and repair of all equipment, vehicles and other facilities used in connection with the performance of the aforementioned work and services and including without limitation the following types of classes of work:

3. The manning, running and/or handling of all boring equipment, mole machines, mining machines, mucking machines, heading

shields, all drilling (except Jackleg and Jumbo), all diamond core drilling, grinding and sharpening of bits, slushers, tuggers (except in breast board or crown bar headings), all conveyors and conveyor belts, locomotives, rubber-tired equipment, including man trip vehicles, mobile power Jumbos, Athey Wagons and tractors, all concrete placing equipment such as Rex Pumpcrete and all pneumatic placers (flowcrete), Kemper, Hackley-Presswell and all similar equipment. The jacking of pipe in tunnels, all ground support work including cutting, welding, hauling and hoisting of all liner plate and other materials, all work performed under compressed air (which falls within the jurisdiction of the Union). The manning of all hoisting equipment including cherry pickers and/or carpassers, mobile powered heading switches, concrete screeds, agitator cars, the moving, raising and setting of forms, including slip forms, in tunnels and tunneling operations. The operation, tending and maintenance of all pumps, generators, compressors and ice plants in or on tunnels and tunnel shaft projects.

4. Any and all emplacements commonly described as underground silos in which missiles are placed, housed, stored and/or their

component parts, shall be covered by the terms of this Agreement. All power hoisting and jobsite hauling of all tools, equipment, material, workmen and other personnel and the operation of all equipment primarily used therefore, shall be considered the jurisdiction of the Union and shall be covered by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

5. In addition to the above, this Section U shall also include: Work in the Contractor's portal yards and shops, tunnel survey work such as the placing, setting and adjusting of Laser Beams, Gyroscope, Geodometer, Electrotape, and all other instruments used therefore, including Grade Checkers and/or shift Engineers.

6. Tunnels shall be defined as: An underground passageway, except for jacking operations under highways, railroads, embankments, etc., excavated by workmen and equipment working below the earth's surface that provides subterranean route along which workmen, equipment or substances can move other than passageways excavated by mine or quarry operations.

7. All work of site preparation, mobilization and installation of plant and equipment and the removal of same shall be performed under the terms of this Section U.

8. After tunnel work has begun, work outside the tunnel consisting of batch plant crews, the construction, repair and maintenance of the equipment outside the tunnel, subway, shaft, raise, etc., and the hauling and hoisting of the material to be used inside the tunnel, subway, shaft, raise, etc., or construction, repair or demolition of said tunnel, subway, shaft, raise, etc., shall come under the tunnel provisions and shall work under the tunnel shift conditions (either single or multiple).

(a) Employees assigned to Batch Plant operations shall work under the terms and conditions of the tunnel provisions except when a Batch Plant is established in an area to provide material for a project consisting of a tunnel or tunnels, and other outside concrete batching operations, and the Batch Plant crew or any member of it had not participated in the driving of the tunnel, such employees shall be covered by the regular jobsite concrete Batch Plant provisions of this Agreement.

(h) Employees covered by this Agreement shall perform all repair and service work on equipment, including the washing of all boilers and/or scrubbers.



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Re: Building Construction Inspector (BCI) and Field Soils and Material Tester (FSMT) Classifications

Dear Ms. Robbins:

Pursuant to your request for clarification contained in your November 20, 2001 correspondence we submit the following:

1. *What is the difference between the Building Construction Inspector (BCI) and the Field Soils and Materials Tester (FSMT) classifications? There appears to be some overlap of duties. Could you summarize the intent of the coverage between Southern California Contractors Association, Inc. and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 12, which serves as the basis for the prevailing wage determination?*

As stated in our June 5, 2001 correspondence to your office, a Building Construction Inspector (BCI) is a licensed inspector who generally works under the direction of a registered civil engineer. The BCI is used when higher stresses are involved, e.g., welding, reinforced concrete, masonry, non-destructive testing and other related disciplines. The term "building inspector" or "construction inspector" has the same meaning as "special inspector." The BCI classification is meant to include inspection of all structures, including but not limited to, residential and commercial buildings, bridges, piers, warehouses, oil/water tanks, docks, refineries, heavy highway construction, underground construction, water works, sewers, water reclamation, flood control, dams, dredge, etc.

A field soils and material tester (FSMT) performs a variety of duties. They include special grading, excavation filling, soils used in construction, concrete sampling, density testing and various types of verification tests.

Occasional overlap of duties may occur between the BCI and FSMT, such as taking concrete specimens in the field, however, one must look at the overall scope of work/duties to determine the proper prevailing wage/rate classification.

2. *How is grading inspection different when performed by a BCI or by a FSMT?*

"Grading inspection is generally the work of a FSMT. The City of Los Angeles certifies/licenses grading inspectors whose duties are similar, but more stringent than those of the FSMT. The grading inspector in the Los Angeles area is covered under the BCI classification/wage rate.

3. *Please define the following and identify which classification performs this work:*

- a) *Magnetic particle testing*
- b) *Nondestructive inspection*
- c) *Ultrasonic testing*
- d) *Keying*
- e) *Benching*
- f) *Scarifying*
- g) *"Rolling of slopes"*
- h) *One-pointer*
- i) *"Correction for rock"*

a) b) c) Magnetic and ultrasonic testing are two different forms of non-destructive testing (NDT). They use mechanical devices to check defects in structures such as welds. The use of magnetic and ultrasonic waves in the evaluation process does not cause any damage to the structure, hence, the term non-destructive testing. Other forms of non-destructive testing include radiography (x-rays) and penetrant testing. All of this work is that of the BCI.

d) Keying in is benching into existing material while filling up an adjacent fill, to bind the two areas (materials) together, eliminating the chance of a soft or uncompacted area in between the two materials or areas. A "stair-step" procedure is usually used.

e) Benching is using a piece of equipment (usually a dozer) to cut into existing material while filling up an adjacent fill, to bind the two areas (materials) together. This eliminates the chance of soft or uncompacted area in-between the two materials or areas. A "stair-step" procedure is usually used.

f) Scarifying is a procedure performed by equipment that rips up existing material approximately one foot deep, then processing that material by watering and mixing it.

g) Rolling of Slopes is a compaction technique used on the slopes of a new fill area. The time required for compaction on the slope of a fill is the same as the required compaction on the top of the fill.

h) A One-Pointer is one test made on the soil by a field soils and material tester (or FSMT).

i) Correction for Rock is a calculation made for oversized rock in soil, done by a field soils and material tester (FSMT).

Items a, b and c are performed by the BCI. Items d, e, f, g, h and i are performed by the FSMT.

To perform items a, b, and c, the individual would have to obtain certification as required by the agency. If certified, for example, in "Ultrasonic Testing," one could perform FSMT work and then move to BCI work if certified to do so.

4. *Does lab work fall within the jurisdiction of the BCI? Does the on/off site location of the lab make a difference?*

No, lab work is not covered. If a lab is located on-site and the individual stays "inside" the lab, there is no coverage. However, if the individual goes on-site and performs "field work," then he or she is covered for all hours worked.

5. *What is the civil engineer's job when working with the BCI or FSMT? Is the civil engineer covered under the scope of the BCI or FSMT sections of the collective bargaining agreement (CBA)?*

The civil engineer usually acts in a supervisory role, directing the BCI or FSMT activities. The civil engineer work would not be covered unless he or she performs "field work."

6. *The Master Labor Agreement (page 5) lists employees excluded from coverage. Does this imply that engineers, architects, project managers and off-site laboratory workers are excluded?*

Yes.

7. *Some signatories perform mechanical & electrical inspections. Are these jobs covered under the Operating Engineers agreement? If so, how is work performed?*

Not covered.

8. *When inspectors visit manufacturing sites, is the inspection of the plant and its processes covered under the agreement? Is that the intent of SB 1999?*

Yes, pursuant to the agreement. The intent of SB1999 was to further define coverage in the public work arena.

9. *Are the following inspectors included in the scope of the agreement: Geotechnical, Concrete, Painting, Steel and Electrical?*

Geotechnical, yes. Concrete, yes. Painting, no. Steel, yes. Electrical, no.

10. *Is visual observation inspection (e.g., using tape measures) covered?*

Yes. Visual inspection is a component of the Inspector's duties.

11. *What is the difference between a Geotechnical Inspector and a Geotechnical Engineer? Are they covered under the Operating Engineer agreement?*

A Geotechnical Inspector is "on-site" performing the "field work" and is covered. The

Geotechnical Engineer is usually "in-house," a supervisory position, "off-site."

12. *Is a project manager whose duties include weekly meetings, approving contracts, managing engineers, managing subcontracts and preparing monthly reports covered under the CBA?*

No.

13. *Is a resident engineer whose duties include logging correspondence amongst contractors and subcontractors, performing soil, concrete, masonry and HVAC tests, and acting as a liaison between contractors and engineers covered?*

When a Resident Engineer logs correspondence among contractors and subcontractors, the work is not covered. When the Resident Engineer acts as a liaison between contractors and engineers, the work is not covered. When performing soil, concrete or masonry tests, the work is covered. HVAC tests are not covered.

14. *Is the BCI an apprenticeable classification?*

Yes.

15. *Is the FSMT an apprenticeable classification?*

Yes.

16. *Is inspection of bridges and piers covered under the BCI and/or FSMT classifications under your agreement?*

Yes. Please see the coverage language in the CBA. Both classifications are covered pertaining to bridge work.

We hope the information provided herein is beneficial to you. Please call this office if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,



Fred C. Young, Financial Secretary
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cc: David Lanham, Contract Compliance